REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed February 8, 2008. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

I. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-4, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15-17, 19, 21-25, 28, 32, and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Karakashian, et al.* ("Karakashian," U.S. Pub. No. 2004/0064503) in view of *Kaler, et al.* ("Kaler," U.S. Pub. No. 2004/0199586).

As indicated above, Applicant has amended each remaining independent claim through this Response. In view of those amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections are moot.

Turning to the merits of the claims, Applicant notes that neither Karakashian nor Kaler discloses or suggests writing a session identifier to a thread-local variable, the session identifier identifying a messaging session to which the incoming message relates, and "storing in a database in relation to the session identifier session data relevant to the incoming message, the session data at least including a message received time". Furthermore, neither reference discloses or suggests "performing a thread-local variable lookup so as to retrieve the session identifier written to the thread-local variable" and "storing in the database in relation to the session identifier session data relevant to the outgoing message, the session data at least including a message sent time". Accordingly, Karakashian and Kaler do not render claims 1 or 21 obvious.

II. Canceled Claims

Claims 5-7, 10, 12-20, 22, and 26-36 have been canceled from the application without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to present these canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Applicant's pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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